

WORST RIOT  
OF THE STRIKETwo Men Were Shot at Ches-  
ter, Pa., To-day

## NEITHER SERIOUSLY HURT

Sympathizers of the Striking Car Men  
Assailed Strike-breakers and Re-  
solved Were Used—Men  
Struck Monday.

Chester, Pa., April 16.—The worst riot since the strike of the Chester Traction company's lines began occurred this morning. Two employees were shot, but not seriously injured. One of them, a motorman strike-breaker, was shot in the foot during an attack by a large crowd of strike sympathizers. Earlier in the day a claim agent of the company was shot in the leg while leading a squad of forty men imported to take the strikers' places. The police have roped off the streets adjoining the barn and are now on guard about the building.

The strike began Monday owing to the employees' refusal to accept a wage reduction. It was announced that the cars would be started yesterday, but they were not moved. Not a wheel was turned and no attempt was made to start them. Therefore the day was comparatively quiet. The failure to move them was probably due to the attitude of Mayor Johnson, who wanted the company to wait until all possibilities of arbitration were exhausted.

Although the city was quiet yesterday a mob of 3,000 people gathered in the vicinity of the Baltimore & Ohio station and that car barn. There was no demonstration. The entire police force was on hand but did not try to break up the gathering. To-day's outbreak followed the attempt to bring in strike-breakers to break the strike.

MCCARREN UNSEATED  
AMID DERISIVE CRIESHe Was Also Insulted By Man Who  
Was Immediately Invited Out  
of The Hall.

New York, April 16.—State Senator Patrick H. McCarren, leader of the King's county Democracy, was unseated from his place as a delegate to the party's state convention last night, after a two-day's contest before the committee on credentials. He was alternately greeted with cheers and derisive cries, and once was insulted by a man on the platform near him, to whom the senator replied that he would talk to him outside the hall.

In a scene that was tense and dramatic in the extreme, he first made an appeal to the convention to refuse its sanction to the majority report of the committee on credentials, and then followed with a deliberate defiance of those who, he said, were excluding him from the place in the party councils for which he had been chosen by his Democratic constituents.

To the Tammany delegates he delivered a threat that if the plan to put him outside the party lines were carried out, no one present in the convention hall would live long enough to see the election of another Democratic mayor of New York.

The senator's speech was attended with unusual and picturesque circumstances. From the time he entered the hall he received the cheers of his loyal followers, but the majority were against him, and in the counter demonstrations were greater in volume, but he made his contest calmly and with courage.

The proceedings were attended with much confusion and disorder, in which both the McCarren men and their opponents participated. The long two-day's wait for the credentials report and the wearying of the delegates and showed the strain during the long roll call on the adoption of the majority report.

The business for which the convention was assembled, the selection of delegates to the national convention, the nomination of a platform, was almost forgotten in the excitement over the McCarren contest.

When the vote was announced, Mr. Carren, with his followers, rose and left the hall, while their friends in the gallery gave them a parting cheer. Another cheer greeted Bird S. Coler of Kings as he and his fellow delegates entered to replace the McCarren men. McCarren said he would carry his fight to the Denver convention.

## CONFESSED, IT IS SAID.

Arrested for Murdering Henry Kelley at  
Providence.

Providence, R. I., April 16.—The mystery concerning the death of Henry Kelley, who was found shortly after midnight Sunday morning on Canal street with his head crushed under a heavy stone, was solved last evening by the alleged confession of Frank Lyons, who was arrested Tuesday evening on suspicion.

Last night Chief Inspector Horton, after being closeted an hour with the prisoner, declared that Lyons had confessed that he murdered Kelley after a quarrel which began in a saloon. He is 21 years old.

## PLENTIFUL AND EXCELLENT.

Delightful Combination of Vermont's  
Maple Sugar Product.

Stowe, April 16.—Stowe farmers report that they have made from three and four pounds of maple sugar to the tree, and that much sap has been lost because it could not be boiled down fast enough. C. L. McMahon reports the quality of the product is the best he has ever known.

DON'T PAY ENOUGH  
TO OUR TEACHERSDeclared Supt. Stone at Washington  
County Directors in Montpelier  
Today.

A Washington county school directors meeting was held at the county court house in Montpelier today, with a good attendance of members from various towns. O. D. Mathewson of Barre, county examiner, was chairman of the meeting. The speakers were State Supt. Mason S. Stone who spoke on "Teachers, Quality and Quantity," "How to have better schools" by Supt. H. C. Morrison of Concord, N. H.; "Truancy," J. B. Fitzpatrick of Graniteville; "Supervision," Gilbert Siloway of Middlesex; "Centralization" by J. C. Childs of South Barre.

This afternoon Supt. Morrison gave an address on "Waste in School Administration," in which he said that the test of a school was its ability to produce results. To secure the best results we should put the administration of them on a business basis. He said that the schools of Vermont and New Hampshire must educate for Vermont and New Hampshire. The two states, he said, have suffered cruelly by the sort of education which has called the states' best blood to other sections of the country.

In his address Supt. Stone spoke of the dearth of teachers and said that it was due to smaller families nowadays and to the greater number of occupations open to women at better wages. We do not pay our teachers enough, the speaker said. The ordinary mill girl is getting more than the teacher of the same age.

His talk was followed by a discussion in which it developed that the average pay of teachers in the county was \$5.50 with board and \$9.50 without board.

## FATHER'S TERRIBLE ACT.

Fatally Shot His Daughter and Then  
Killed Himself.

Asheville, N. C., April 16.—Enraged at his sixteen-year-old daughter, Nellie, because of a harmless school girl prank, Dr. C. O. Swinney, who recently came from New York yesterday shot and fatally wounded her, and then killed himself.

The tragedy occurred in the reception room of the Normal and Collegiate institute, a girls' boarding school where Miss Swinney was a pupil.

Recently Swinney's daughter was one of a number of the school girls who, on an April fool joke, absented themselves from school and the father brooded over the little escapade until it assumed to him the proportions of actual wrongdoing. Dr. Swinney called on his daughter at the school yesterday afternoon and the tragedy followed.

It is believed that Swinney's mind was unbalanced.

TWENTY ARE DEAD  
BY OVERTURN OF BOATSwedish River Steamboat Carrying  
Forty Passengers and Load of Pe-  
troleum Turned Turtle.

Stockholm, April 16.—Gothenburg harbor is being dragged for the twenty missing passengers of the river steamboat, Gotaberg which turned turtle under a load of petroleum barrels on the upper deck when the vessel left her pier yesterday. It is certain that all of the twenty perished. Twenty other passengers who escaped and all the members of the crew have been summoned to the pier where the vessel lies. The disaster was an investigation of the disaster.

## MARRIAGE AT RUTLAND.

Helen Maria Butler is Bride of John A.  
Barney.

Rutland, April 16.—An elaborate wedding took place here last night when Miss Helen Maria Butler, daughter of Fred M. Butler of the law firm of Butler & Moloney, and John A. Barney, who is associated with the Rochester clothing company, were united in marriage by the Rev. Eugene Haines, pastor of the Baptist church. Only intimate friends witnessed the ceremony performed at Judge Butler's house but a reception attended by 250 people followed.

The couple were attended by Miss Florence Butler, the bride's sister, at bridesmaid and Ambrose Weeks of Clearend, cousin of the groom as best man. The ushers were Leonard D. Smith of Middlebury college, Wallace W. Nichols and J. Edward Copes of this city. The large number of wedding gifts included \$200 in gold from the bride's father. The couple will reside in this city after a two weeks' trip to Boston.

MARKED GROWTH  
OF VERMONT GRANGE55 Added With Membership of Nearly  
3,000 Since Present Movement Was  
Started 15 Months Ago.

Battleboro, April 16.—State Master George W. Pierce stated yesterday that since the campaign for the organization of granges was begun in this state 15 months ago, 55 granges have been organized with a charter membership of nearly 3,000. There are now 180 subordinate granges and 18 pomona granges in the state. E. M. Pike of Brandon has been appointed official reporter for the national grange paper, published in Philadelphia. Protective grange of this town will observe its 15th anniversary May 20. State Master Carlton D. Richardson of Massachusetts and State Master Pierce will be speakers.

## Ida M. Cross Gets Divorce.

Assistant Judge Wells and Winch held divorce court yesterday afternoon. Ida M. Cross was granted a divorce from Charles E. Cross for desertion.

DISREGARDED  
DEMANDSMilford, Mass., Man Then  
Suffered Heavily

## BY FIRE AND THEFT TODAY

The Store of James Over Was Robbed  
and Then Set on Fire—Damage of  
\$3,000 by Fire Is Covered by  
Insurance.

Milford, Mass., April 16.—After James Over had received two threatening "black hand" letters and disregarded their demands for \$1,000 and his jewelry his notion store was robbed early today and then damaged by fire to the amount of \$3,000. His loss by fire is insured, but jewelry and goods valued at \$300 were stolen.

HOLDING TWO MEN  
IN WOMAN'S DEATHCharles Childs and John Warren Bound  
Over to County Court—Autopsy  
on Mrs. Jane Sweetser's Body.

Stowe, April 16.—Charles Childs and John Warren were taken yesterday to the county jail at Hyde Park after being placed under bail of \$1,000 on the charge of assaulting and causing the death of Mrs. Jane Sweetser who died under suspicious circumstances Sunday night. An autopsy was performed on the woman's body yesterday. It is said that she was suffering from cancer, but the authorities thought best to hold the men, and they were given a hearing before Justice C. M. Wattle yesterday. Mrs. Sweetser's funeral was held yesterday afternoon, and the burial was in the River Bank cemetery.

## LOCKOUT FOLLOWS STRIKE.

Chair Company at East Arlington Was  
on Short Time.

Bennington, April 16.—The Hale Chair company at East Arlington is shut down because of a strike. For some time the shop has been operated on an eight-hour schedule and business has been slack. The announcement of a 10 per cent. reduction in wages caused about 40 of the men to leave the shop. The wages on full time run from \$1.35 to \$1.65. There was some men who still remained at work and for this reason the company decided to shut down temporarily. About 125 hands are thrown out of employment in and the only industry of consequence in the village is idle.

## SHOOTER BOUND OVER.

Joseph Haskins Thinks He Was Insane  
or Suffering Nightmare.

Bristol, April 16.—Joseph Haskins who shot his wife three times last Tuesday night was yesterday bound over to county court and taken to the county jail at Middlebury. It is now thought that Mrs. Haskins will recover. She is 65 years old, while her husband is 70. He has always resided in town and has been considered one of Bristol's best citizens, of a quiet disposition, pleasant and agreeable. Haskins advanced two reasons for the shooting, either that he was temporarily insane or that he was suffering under the spell of nightmare.

THIRTEENTH BODY  
RECOVERED TODAYAnd There Are Still 75 Persons Re-  
ported Missing at Chelsea, Mass.,  
Say the Police.

Boston, April 16.—One more body was found in the ruins of the Chelsea fire this afternoon. That brings the total death list to 13. According to the latest report, the list of missing includes 75 names. The work of tearing down the chimneys was the most important today. There were many narrow escapes from injury by falling bricks.

## BUYS MONTEPELIER STORE.

Dan R. Campbell of Bellows Falls to  
Go Into Hardware Business.

The hardware business of Bailey & Morse at the head of State street in Montpelier has been sold to Dan R. Campbell of Bellows Falls, son of Dr. E. R. Campbell, who represented Bellows Falls in the last legislature. The sale will be made on an invoice which will be made next week. The purchaser will form a stock company, with himself holding the majority of the stock. He has had considerable experience in the hardware business at Bellows Falls and Burlington. The business which he buys is an old-established one.

## OBJECTION WITHDRAWN.

To Private Sale By Trustee of M. J. Mc-  
Gowan Property.

In bankruptcy court at Montpelier today on the adjourned case of Martin J. McGowan of Barre, Attorney A. A. Sargent, appearing for several creditors, withdrew the objection introduced earlier in the week to the private sale of certain property in the estate at 75 per cent. Following the withdrawal of the objection permission was given the trustee, E. L. Scott, to sell the building works, machinery and certain other things.

PROPOSE AID  
FOR THE AGEDPreachers When They Retire  
From Methodist Conference

## WILL TAKE ACTION LATER

Vermont Methodist Conference's Second  
Day Started Off With Enthusiasm  
—Mr. Johnson Again Refused  
Reinstatement.

Once more Dame Nature was kind and greeted the waking Methodist with sunlight and good cheer, as they began the second day's work. This was happily auspicious of harmonious deliberations.

The first session was held at eight-thirty, under charge of Dr. Brushingham and Prof. Hill. At least 140 must have been present at the close. This shows that Methodists are strong on the devotional, as well as the practical side of church work. One feature of these 8:30 services is the music under charge of Prof. Hill, who is not satisfied until every person in the entire congregation is singing with all his might. The enthusiasm generated by the opening song service was accentuated by the address of Dr. Brushingham, until shouts and "amens" interspersed his sentences and fused the audience into glowing emotion.

The first address of the morning was given by one who represented the Chattanooga movement, Rev. W. R. Duke-shire of Barton introduced a resolution of sympathy with Dr. Charles Parkhurst, editor of Zion's Herald, which is passed. Rev. L. O. Sherburne presented the matter of a memorial to the general conference concerning the better support of the supernumeraries of the connection.

A Famous Case. The case of S. C. Johnson, the sometime pastor of the Methodist church at Northfield, who was expelled at the conference at Newport nine years ago because of cheating and lying, came before the conference, this time for the restoration of his parsonage. Again and again this request has been refused because of a belief of many in the conference that the man is still unworthy, but this time it was turned down by a majority of only one, the vote for restoring the credentials being 16 to 17.

A Successful Year. Presiding Elder Smithers of Montpelier district was passed in character and read his report, which showed good progress along many lines. Rev. Dixon of Bradford, Sherburne of Bellows Falls and other preachers had left the state and several other changes had been necessitated. Many improvements on church property had been made, most of which had been paid for. No marked revivals have characterized the year, but churches have received probationers in number from five to 30. But five churches have bona fide class leaders, though all should have such an official. Three excellent preachers' meetings had been held. There were 24 Epworth League and 15 Junior League on the district most of them fairly prosperous. A convention of the Knights of King Arthur had been held at White River Junction with good results. Woodstock church had celebrated its centennial while other churches had celebrated other anniversaries. The financial situation is a most difficult one and some churches will have to be closed unless some relief can soon be found. Several members had died during the year the same having been previously reported in The Times.

Deserving Local Preachers. Presiding Elder Hunt was passed on character and presented his report. The feature of this report was his recommendation that the local preachers, not now legal beneficiaries of the conference when they retire, be given some aid in their time of need, and this be placed more on a parity with members of the conference. This recommendation crystallized in the appointment of a committee to consider the matter and report later. The year on the district had been a successful one with some advance in salaries, an increase of trust funds for conference organizations, improvements on church property all paid for, and other indications of progress were also noted.

## No Use for General Conference.

Mr. Hunt, in his report, said that the collection for general conference expenses had been met in most charges, but that one Sunday school superintendent asked why they could not "cut out the general conference." This raised a hearty laugh, whereas the Bishop told of one quarterly conference which thought itself perfectly competent to advocate the entire "discipline" or law of the church.

## Some Revivals.

Elder Hunt also reported quite a revival interest, with 30 accessions at Richmond, 33 at St. Albans, 23 at Enosburg Falls and lesser numbers elsewhere. The Epworth League were a little ahead of last year. The Bible school and campmeeting were a pronounced success and a source of inspiration for work later on throughout the year.

## Slashing Right and Left.

The Rev. F. W. Lewis, the presiding elder of St. Johnsbury district, also the secretary of the conference, then read his report, which was not only an excellent resume of the work of the past year, but also a fine literary production. Mr. Lewis is a past master in the art of gentle sarcasm, and delights in pillowing shams and punting follies. After speaking of the many changes necessitated by various causes during the year, he spoke as follows: "It may be said that all the men have done good work; some on hard fields entitled to no less credit, possibly to greater, than others who will have more to show in tangible results, because of more favorable conditions. There have been differences in the excellence of the work, of course; there

may yet be Methodist preachers who need to learn more perfectly the lesson that energy diverted to fault finding and to framing excuses for failure, if turned into the right channels might often bring grand success; also that honey still catches more flies than vinegar. Yet some experiences that come to a Vermont pastor might well acculate the sweetest temper and turn the milk of human kindness to lousy dabbler. We have many laymen and lay-women; yet it may still be said with truth that if our lay membership were as uniformly and fully consecrated to the work of the Lord as are our preachers, it would speedily transform conditions and give us a "New Vermont" well worth the having. And many an obscure preacher, who never had bonquets or a brass band here on earth, will wear a diadem in glory, and sweep the strings of a golden harp to enthrall an angel, while some of our critics will not get near enough to know there is any music in progress."

## Getting Ahead.

Mr. Lewis also reported concerning the work on the district and specified an excellent increase in salaries following that of \$2,000 of last year, some debts paid, nearly \$7,000 spent in improvements on church property, a new parsonage worth \$3,000 at Barton Landing, good amounts for the benevolences, something of a revival in Epworth League interest, good results from the Bible school and campmeeting at Lyndonville, several new castles of the Knights of King Arthur formed, one of the Brotherhood of St. Paul at Barre, a good revival interest at Island Pond, Newport, Sheffield, and elsewhere; the federation of the Congregational and Methodist churches at Guildhall, the largest Sunday school class in the state at Barton Landing, and other items of progress. In closing he said that the great need of the work here, as everywhere, was men, men in the pulpits and men in the pews.

## "Nothing Against Him."

Following the reports the character of each effective elder having an appointment in the conference was read. This is a unique thing in church work. Once every year every Methodist preacher, high or low, must come before some person in authority saying of him, "Nothing against him." Until this is done, he has no right to enter upon the work of another year. In connection with this "nothing against him" the other preachers reported whether or not he had taken all of the regular official collections of the church.

Routine business was then resumed, and the credentials of J. E. Sweet were ordered returned to him, after being properly endorsed, he having entered the Congregational ministry. The bishop announced that he would address the class conference in full connection at ten o'clock to-morrow, and the conference made the election of delegates to the general conference a special order for eleven o'clock of the same day.

## The Roll of Honor.

The conference then took up the question of the relation of the veteran preachers of the state. These are mostly men who have served their day and generation with success and are retired because of the feebleness of age. Sometimes, however, because of family reasons, or for other sufficient causes, men are put on this list who have served but a short time. There are two of these lists, one called the "Superannuated," the other the "Superannuated." Literally translated the first term means "one too many" and the other "too old." Actually there is little difference, but, in accordance with the law of the church, men can remain on the first list but five consecutive years, when they must be put on the other. The following men were passed in character and continued on the superannuated list: F. M. Barnes, C. O. Whidden, C. S. Nutt, R. G. C. McKenzie, E. B. Blodgett, P. N. Granger (83 years old) was continued on the superannuated list, as were W. H. Wight, G. L. Wells, C. W. Morse, John Thurston, N. W. Wilder, W. H. Dean, S. B. Currier, S. C. Vail, A. L. Cooper, S. S. Brigham, A. B. Blake, G. O. Howe, H. W. Worthen, S. J. Davidson, G. H. Story and E. H. Bartlett. H. F. Forrest was transferred from the superannuated to the superannuated list, and Albert Gregory was made effective.

## Looking Through the Gates.

Some of the clergymen were present and feelingly addressed the conference, among them being G. L. Wells, C. W. Morse, N. W. Wilder, Sylvester Donaldson, E. H. Bartlett and A. L. Boper. The last named preacher is evidently the "St. John of the conference," and his brief address, during which he said that the time given to the work of the ministry by himself and two of his daughters, who had married Methodist ministers, had aggregated over a hundred years, brought both smiles and tears, and was feelingly followed by a general singing of "How sweet it will be."

The matter of the resignation of W. M. Newton as trustee of Montpelier seminary, and the election of a trustee of Wesleyan university was referred to the committee on education to make nominations. Rev. Donald Gregory, a venerable preacher of the Advent church, was introduced and presented the fraternal greetings of that body. This was followed by singing "When the roll is called yonder."

Rev. Arthur W. Hewitt of Glover, E. F. Newell of Hardwick and A. H. Sturges of Binghamville were passed in character and elected to elders' orders. W. M. Newton was excused to attend a funeral.

## The Evangelistic Note.

The note of evangelism is dominating the Vermont conference. Services are held every morning at 8:15 and 4 in the afternoon. These meetings are under the leadership of J. P. Brushingham, D. D. secretary-treasurer of the commission on aggressive evangelism, and is assisted by Prof. M. J. Hill, singing evangelist of Detroit. There will be a strong union rally Sunday afternoon, to which young people of all the churches and high schools and seminaries are invited. No one excluded, but young people are particularly welcomed.

Dr. Brushingham and Prof. Hill represent the forward spiritual movement in the Methodist church. Evangelism is common ground. All are asked these meetings and feel perfectly at home. It is non-sectarian. All who desire to win souls can help. The meetings that have

been held are of an aggressive type and much interest is being shown already.

Dr. Brushingham spoke yesterday morning on the "Power of prayer in soul winning" and in the afternoon on "The Evangelistic Messenger and Message."

Almost the entire congregation rose at the close of the sermon and promised to join the "Win One" society and in this conference with one person in Barre to Christ by personal effort.

## Interesting Session.

The hours of the second session yesterday were crowded with good things and it was almost impossible for even the most ardent Methodist to take in all the hopeful and helpful things that were said.

## More Memoirs—Mrs. Cushing.

After the statistical session at 1:30, when the preachers brought in a mighty mass of figures and a good sum of money, the memorial session was resumed. Mrs. H. P. Cushing of Montpelier, by Rev. A. J. Hough of that city; on Mrs. F. W. Buck by Rev. C. W. Kelley of Sheffield; on Mrs. E. H. Bartlett by Presiding Elder Hunt of St. Albans, and on Harry Ingalls, late son of Mrs. E. W. Sharpy, wife of the pastor at Northfield, by Presiding Elder Smithers of Montpelier.

The case of Mrs. Cushing was especially significant in this section for the reason that she was formerly Miss Grace Huntington of Washington, and spent her later days at Montpelier. They used to say that when Mr. Cushing was going to Washington courtship, he used often to give out the hymn to his church, "Grace, 'tis a charming sound."

## Missionary Sermon.

Rev. C. D. Lance of Island Pond, by appointment of the preceding conference, then preached the annual missionary sermon on "The Promises and Potencies of Gospel to Secure the Conversion of the Entire World," taking for his text Daniel 2:34. He declared that hope lay in the susceptibility of men everywhere for the Gospel, that to make that Gospel universally successful church members must have a firm belief in the Gospel as the only medium of salvation, and an absolute faith in the final supremacy of the truth. The sermon was in a spirit of earnestness and self-abandon, and was couched in chaste and elegant diction, showing careful preparation.

## The Work of the Women.

Next in order was the anniversary of the Woman's Home Missionary society over which Mrs. W. E. S. Selley of Fairlee ably presided. Prayer was offered by Rev. E. A. Lage of Bradford, and the address of the occasion was delivered by Rev. Dr. J. H. Fitzwater of Ohio, who gave incidents and accidents of the great work accomplished by women for the church.

## The Evangelistic Motive.

The last, and to many the most interesting service of a full afternoon, was an address by Dr. Brushingham, who spoke on "The Evangelistic Motive: Method, Message and Messenger." This was Dr. Brushingham's second appearance and his previous address had excited so much that a full house greeted him this time. He is evidently the right man for the right place, and greatly pleases the brethren. Not the least among the interesting features of these meetings is the singing under the inspiring leadership of Dr. Hill, who is a natural leader along this line. Evidently when Dr. B. struck him, he struck a good thing.

## ANOTHER TEACHER GOING.

Acting Principal F. M. Howe of Mont-  
pelier Seminary.

F. M. Howe, acting principal of Montpelier seminary since 1906, and teacher of science and higher mathematics, since 1901, has tendered his resignation to the trustees, the same to take effect at the end of the present school year. The sole management of the institution was tendered him in accordance with the vote of the trustees to release Prof. Bishop from that work, but he does not care to assume that responsibility. Mr. Howe's plans for the future are not matured. His departure will be regretted, both in the seminary, and in Trinity church, where he and his wife have been active.

## TALK OF THE TOWN.

H. M. Parker of Essex visited, Harry  
Brooks today.

Mrs. Henry York of West Bolton is visiting friends in the city.

Mrs. Henry York of West Bolton is visiting relatives in this city and Williamstown.

A. L. McLean of Graniteville left last night for Wisconsin where he has a position as foreman of a quarry.

Henry Solari, the Italian consul in this city has placed the consular sign in front of his office in the L. M. Averill block.

Waldron Daniel of Peoria, Ill., has opened an office in the office with Attorney E. B. Davis and will conduct a wholesale granite business.

The Rev. E. M. Fuller of Burlington, secretary of the State Sunday School association arrived in the city this afternoon to attend the Methodist conference.

S. Massucco of Montpelier has leased the north half of the ground floor of the Scampini block occupied by J. R. Tierney's wine store and will open a moving picture show soon after May 1.

Among arrivals at the City hotel last evening are W. D. Slater, New London, Conn.; F. A. Nason, Boston; A. A. Olmstead, South Newbury; F. S. Nole, Windsor; H. L. Ryan, Detroit, Mich.; W. E. Reed, White River Junction; H. H. Stickney, Boston; Frank Plimley, Northfield; F. M. Warner, Vergennes; M. B. Borroughs, Burlington.

## SOUTH BARRE.

Dance at Unity Temple, South Barre, Friday evening, April 17.

GROWN FAST  
IN TEN YEARSAnniversary of Founding of  
Ladies of Clan Gordon

## OBSERVED LAST NIGHT

There Were 300 People Present at Fe-  
stivities Held in Woodmen's Hall.—Dance Ended the Pro-  
gram.

The tenth anniversary of the foundation of the Ladies of Clan Gordon, Order of Scottish Clans, was held at Woodmen's hall last evening. The event was successful and attended by over 300 people.

The tables were set for the supper and after the members of the organization and their friends and guests had taken their places the assembly was called to order and Chief Sister Mrs. John Carson welcomed the company in a cordial manner. Next came an address by Senior Past Chief Sister Mrs. W. D. Reid, who gave some interesting remarks in regard to the organization and its growth in the past 10 years and the numerous changes that had taken place in its makeup.

The branch started with a membership of 39 and from that has grown in ten years to a membership of 213. The organization has many excellent social features and, added to these, are the advantages of death and sick benefits. There was paid out in the past year for sick benefits \$400 and for death benefits \$200.

At the conclusion of these addresses the farce, "My Aunt's Heiress" was presented by the following cast: Misses Christine Rae, Elsie McDonald, Barbara McDonald, Helen Johnston, Margaret Beattie, Lucy Grant, Annie Somers, Cella Dower, Ina Paterson, Jean Sacrifici, and Florence Ingalls. The farce was presented in a creditable manner and the many perplexing situations were well handled and brought forth much applause.

At the conclusion of the program the supper which consisted of cold meats, salads, rolls, cake and coffee was served and the entire company did full justice to it. The floor was then cleared and dancing enjoyed until a late hour music being furnished by George Angus' orchestra of four pieces.

The committee which had the affair in charge was composed of the following ladies: Mrs. John Carson, Mrs. James K. Coutts, Mrs. George Angus, Mrs. Elsie Wood, Mrs. George Williamson, Mrs. J. P. Corski, Mrs. Peter Brown, Mrs. Jane Milne, Mrs. William Cruickshank, Mrs. Hugh Gillespie, Mrs. James Reid.

COMMITTEES HELD  
LONG CONFERENCEPolishers and Manufacturers Adjourned  
at 10 Last Night To This After-  
noon—Lumpers' Meeting

Rejects Proposition.

After a conference that lasted from 1:30 to 10 p. m., yesterday, with an hour out for supper, the two committees representing the manufacturers and polishers adjourned to 1:30 this afternoon and they are now in session. That they are any nearer together neither side would say this morning, but the long-continued conferences indicate they are doing their best to reach an agreement. The Lumpers, boxers and Derrickmen's union held a meeting yesterday afternoon at which a proposition from the manufacturers was turned down and a counter proposition drawn up and sent to the manufacturers.

The cutters, tool sharpeners and polishers are paying out the weekly strike pay to-day.

## SYRIANS ORGANIZE.

Barre Colony Form Benevolent Society  
For Their Own People.

The Syrians of Barre have formed a benevolent society, to be known as the "Star of Lebanon, Charity Society," whose purpose is to care for the members of the nationality in Barre who may need financial aid, rather than to put the city to the expense of their care, and also to bury their dead. The society is at present only local. Meetings of the organization are held on Sunday nights at the headquarters of the Syrian colony on Prospect street. There are now 45 Syrian men in Barre, all of whom belong to the Star of Lebanon. Assad Corey is